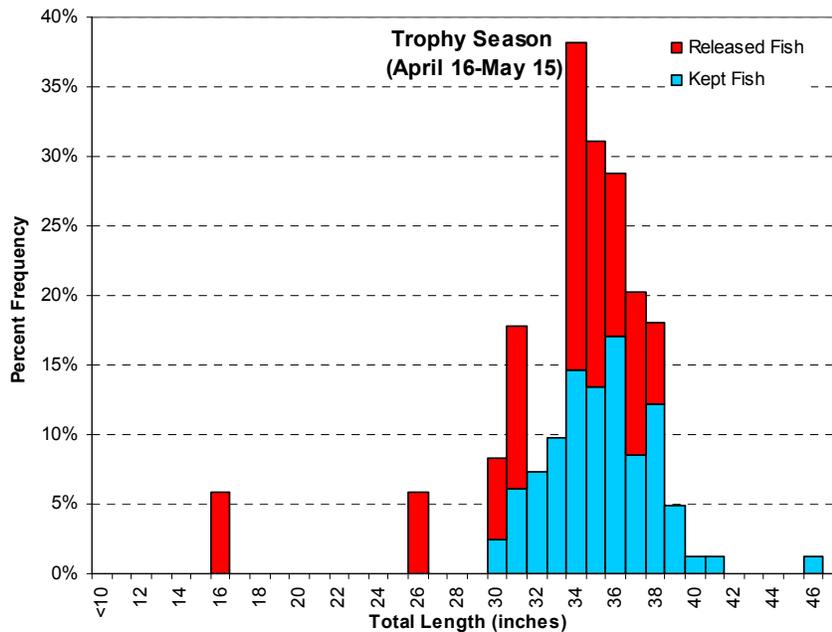




Striped Bass Volunteer Angler Survey 2011 Data Summary

Here are some things we learned from data submitted by cooperating striped bass anglers in 2011.



Released Fish

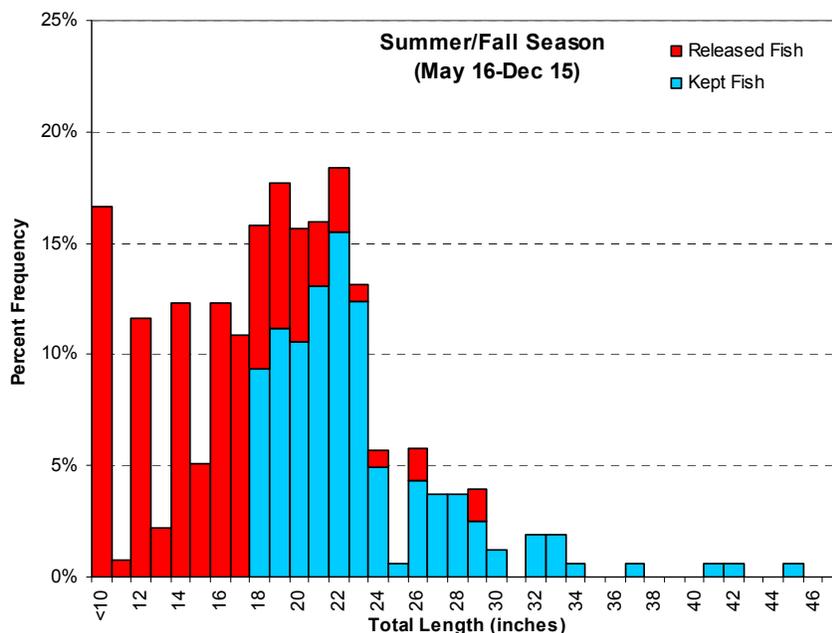
- Sample size: 17 fish
- Average size: 33.1 inches TL

Kept Fish

- Sample size: 82 fish
- Average size: 35.5 inches TL

Methods

- 100% caught trolling



Released Fish

- Sample size: 138 fish
- Average size: 15.4 inches TL

Kept Fish

- Sample size: 161 fish
- Average size: 23.1 inches TL

Methods

- 48% caught trolling
- 17% caught casting
- 8% jigging

Fun Facts

- 45 anglers reported a total of 117 fishing trips
- 81% of trips were from boats, 9% from shore, and 5% each from piers
- Anglers reported 3 trips on average—one angler reported data from 24 trips!
- The largest fish submitted was 46 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

The Striped Bass Program needs your help to collect more data!

How we use the data:

- Data submitted by cooperating anglers, combined with data collected by fisheries scientists, is used to characterize the size and age composition of recreational harvest and releases
- Size composition of the catch is used to help determine minimum and maximum size regulations

More data helps us do our job managing striped bass so tell your friends and family who fish about the survey!

What we still need:

- Data from trips and catch on the Atlantic Coast
- Data from trips and catch on the Susquehanna Flats
- Be sure to provide the length and fate (kept or released) of **each fish** so your data can be used in fisheries management analyses

**THANKS FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!
YOUR DATA PLAYS A CRUCIAL ROLE IN FISHERIES
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